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REISSUE APPLICATION DECLARATION BY THE INVENTOR

Docket Number (Optional)

97084-00026

I hereby declare that:

Each inventor's residence, mailing address and citizenship are stated below next to their name.

I believe the inventors named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in patent number 6301967, granted October 16, 2001 and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled Method and Apparatus for Acoustic Detection and Location of Defects in Structures or Ice on Structures, the specification of which

☐ is attached hereto.

☒ was filed on October 15, 2003 as reissue application number 10/686,515
and was amended on October 15, 2003
(If applicable)

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

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I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, for the reasons described below. (Check all boxes that apply.)

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☒ by reason of the patentee claiming more or less than he had the right to claim in the patent.

☐ by reason of other errors.

At least one error upon which reissue is based is described below. If the reissue is a broadening reissue, such must be stated with an explanation as to the nature of the broadening: In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.175, applicant specifies an error upon which this reissue application is based as follows. Original Claim 1 is believed to be rendered wholly or partly invalid by the inclusion of features directed to a device for detecting the presence and characteristics of a defect in a structure. Specifically, the inclusion of the phrase "a defect in or" in Claim 1 in every instance is believed to render such claim wholly or partly invalid. This is a broadening reissue. See attached sheet for explanation as to the nature of the broadening.

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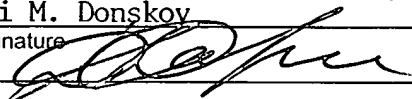
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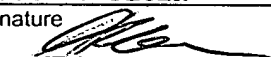
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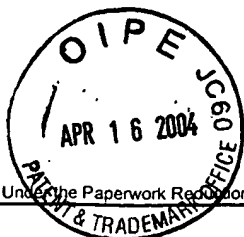
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Reissue Appln. No.: To be assigned.
U.S. Patent No.: 6,301,967
Issued: October 16, 2001
Inventor: Dimitri M. Donskoy, et al.

ATTACHMENT SHEET TO REISSUE APPLICATION
DECLARATION BY THE INVENTOR(S)

The nature of the broadening reissue is described as follows. Claim 1 is believed to be broadened in that the "means for creating and delivering a low frequency signal" has been replaced by "first transmitter means for transmitting a low frequency signal". Similarly in Claim 1, the "means for creating and delivering a high frequency probe signal" has been replaced by "second transmitter means for transmitting a high frequency probe signal." Claim 2 is believed to be broadened in that reference to moving the low frequency signal relative to the "receiver means" has been deleted. Claim 3 is believed to be broadened by deleting the "receiving means" therefrom. Claim 4 is believed to be broadened in that reference to moving "a point of delivery" of the low frequency signal has been deleted.



REISSUE APPLICATION DECLARATION BY THE ASSIGNEE

Docket Number (optional)

97084-00026

I hereby declare that:

The residence, mailing address and citizenship of the inventors are stated below.

I am authorized to act on behalf of the following assignee: The Trustees of Stevens Institute of Technology

and the title of my position with said assignee is: Director of Institute Technology Initiatives

The entire title to the patent identified below is vested in said assignee.

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Patent Number
6301967

Date of Patent Issued
October 16, 2001

Title of Invention
Method and Apparatus for Acoustic Detection & Location of Defects in Structures or Ice on Structures

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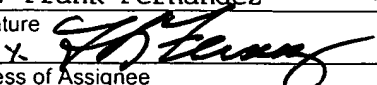
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**REISSUE APPLICATION: CONSENT OF ASSIGNEE;
STATEMENT OF NON-ASSIGNMENT**

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This is part of the application for a reissue patent based on the original patent identified below.

Name of Patentee(s)

The Trustees of the Stevens Institute of Technology

Patent Number

6301967

Date Patent Issued

October 16, 2001

Title of Invention

Method and Apparatus for Acoustic Detection and Location of Defects in
Structures or Ice on Structures1. ☒ Filed herein is a statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b). (Form PTO/SB/96)2. ☐ Ownership of the patent is in the inventor(s), and no assignment of the patent is in effect.

One of boxes 1 or 2 above must be checked. If multiple assignees, complete this form for each assignee. If box 2 is checked, skip the next entry and go directly to "Name of Assignee".

The written consent of all assignees and inventors owning an undivided interest in the original patent is included in this application for reissue.

The assignee(s) owning an undivided interest in said original patent is/are The Trustees of the Stevens
and the assignee(s) consents to the accompanying application for reissue. Institute of Technology

Name of assignee/inventor (if not assigned)

The Trustees of the Stevens Institute of Technology

Signature

Date

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Dr. Frank Fernandez,
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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Applicant/Patent Owner: The Trustees of the Stevens Institute of Technology

Application No./Patent No.: 6301967 Filed/Issue Date: October 16, 2001

Entitled: Method and Apparatus for Acoustic Detection and Location of Defects in Structures of Ice on Structures

The Trustees of the Stevens, an institute of higher learning
(Name of Assignee) Institute of Technology (Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

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